

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section
5 21-25.5 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/21-25.5 new)

7 Sec. 21-25.5. Marriage and family therapist certification.
8 Not later than June 1, 2010, the State Board of Education shall
9 initiate rulemaking to provide standards for the certification
10 of marital and family therapists employed by school boards.
11 These rules shall include certification requirements to be met
12 by (i) licensure as a marital and family therapist under the
13 Marriage and Family Therapy Licensing Act and (ii) completion
14 of such other experience and other programmatic requirements as
15 the State Board of Education deems appropriate for the position
16 of marital and family therapist in a school system.

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
18 becoming law.